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Serial No.:

09/855,189

Filing Date:

14 May 2001

Title:

TARGETED ELASTIC LAMINATE HAVING

ZONES OF DIFFERENT BASIS WEIGHTS

FIRST INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Rules 1.56 and 1.98, References AA through AK (Sheet 1 of 25), Reference AR (Sheet 1 of 25), and References AA through AE (Sheet 2 of 25) are cited and discussed on Pages 2, 3, 10 and 30 of the referenced patent application and are brought to the attention of the Examiner as being possibly

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material to examination of this application.

European Patent Reference 0 570 980 A1 appears to disclose a garment, such as an absorbent garment, having an adjustable fastening system around a waist area of the garment.

Japanese Patent Reference 3-67646 appears to disclose a method of making a multilayered laminate in which a middle layer is differentially stretched in the machine direction as it is applied between two outer layers.

The following co-pending U.S. patent applications are also brought to the attention of the Examiner as being possibly material to examination of the subject patent application.

Applicants: Raymond Jeffrey MAY et al.

Title: TARGETED ELASTIC LAMINATE HAVING

ZONES OF DIFFERENT POLYMER MATERIALS

Serial No.: 09/855,188 Filing Date: 14 May 2001

Attorney Docket No.: KCC-14,829

Applicants: Christopher Peter OLSON et al.

Title: GARMENT HAVING AN APPARENT ELASTIC

BAND

Serial No.: 09/855,196 Filing Date: 14 May 2001

Attorney Docket No.: KCC-14,944

Applicants: Raymond Jeffrey MAY et al.

Title: GARMENT HAVING INTEGRATED ZONE OF

ELASTIC TENSION ALIGNED WITH AN

OPENING

Serial No.: 09/855,195 Filing Date: 14 May 2001

Attorney Docket No.: KCC-14,280

Docket No.: KCC-14,833 Serial No.: 09/855,189

Applicants: Lavada Campbell BOGGS et al.

Title:

GARMENT HAVING GASKET WITH

INTEGRATED ZONE OF ELASTIC TENSION

AND/OR STRETCH

Serial No.:

09/855,180

Filing Date: 14 May 2001

Attorney Docket No.: KCC-14,485

Applicants: Oomman Painumoottil THOMAS

Title:

ELASTOMERIC LAMINATE WITH FILM AND

STRANDS SUITABLE FOR A NONWOVEN

GARMENT

Serial No.:

09/855,194

Filing Date: 14 May 2001

Attorney Docket No.: KCC-15,893

The remaining references listed on Form PTO-1449 are also brought to the attention of the Examiner as being possibly material to examination of this application.

Form PTO-1449 (25 pages) is enclosed with a copy of each and every reference cited on Form PTO-1449.

Respectfully submitted,

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